



Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner initiated interview to propose amendments to the independent claims to make the independent claims consistent with one another in terminology as well as to better convey novelty to completely distinguish over the prior art. Examiner proposed amending claims 9, 13, 21 and 34 by removing the word "tapered" as Examiner believed at the time of the interview that the terms tapered and blunt contradict one another. Examiner also proposed an amendment to the independent claims 9 and 34 so as to be consistent with claim 21 such that the word "pre-attached" appears before "bidirectional, non-removable valve" to fully distinguish over the prior and to convey that the valve truly is non-removable at the instant the method steps are performed.